

Arts association plans events

The Western Plains Arts Association is gearing up for its next season of performances. Season tickets are now on sale for the 15 performances in the area.

Tentative 2010-11 schedule
 Sunday, Sept. 12, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) Bummer the Drummer and the Kansas City Street Band at the Goodland High School Auditorium.

Monday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) Rhythm and Passion at the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College.

Sunday, Oct. 3, 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians at the Hoxie High School.

Sunday, Oct. 17, 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) Michael Fitzsimmons and Drums of the World at the St. Francis High School Auditorium.

Sunday, Oct. 31, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) the Golden Dragon Acrobats at the Colby High School.

Sunday, Nov. 7, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) the Sunflower Trio at The Gateway at Oberlin.

Sunday, Dec. 5, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) The Starry Night Trio presents Celestial Christmas at the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College.

Tuesday, Jan. 25, at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) Harpist Greg Buchanan at the Atwood High School.

Sunday, Feb. 20, at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) Give 'em Hell, Harry Truman at the Atwood High School.

Saturday, Feb. 26, 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) the Brett Family Show from Branson at the Oakley High School.

Monday, March 7, at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) the musical Music Man at the Oakley High School.

Sunday, March 20, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) the Stanleytones at Sharon Springs High School

Sunday, April 3, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) the Alferd Packer Memorial String Band at Hoxie High School.

Sunday, April 10, 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) the International Tenors at the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College.

Sunday, May 1, at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) 18 Reasons to Live, Laugh and Love by Petrella at Quinter High School Auditorium.

To be arranged military bands or ensembles.

Membership levels are \$15 for student kindergarten through 12, \$40 for adult, \$90 for family, \$160 to 349 sponsor and \$350-699 patron.

For memberships contact Eric Yonkey at 890-5877 or Curtis Duncan.

Girl Scouts holding activity day

While most kids spend their summer in front of the television or computer, girls from kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to Girl Scout Discovery Day in Goodland on Monday, Aug. 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the KOAKampgrounds, 1114 E. U.S. Highway 24! At this free event, they will experience Girl Scout activities, songs, games, crafts, swimming and friendship.

This event is for current and new girl members in grades kindergarten through sixth.

Registration forms can be picked up and returned at the following locations: Goodland Public Library, 812 Broadway, Goodland; St. Francis City Library, 121 South Scott Street, St. Francis; Sharon Springs City Library, on 113 2nd Street, Sharon Springs; Craft Peddler,

313 Kansas Ave., Brewster; and Weskan Post Office, 527 Weskan Avenue. Registration forms are due by Wednesday.

Girls are asked to bring or wear a swimming suit under their clothes, bring a towel, sack lunch, wear comfortable shoes (no flip-flops) and sunscreen. Check the registration form for additional information. Parents or guardian will be asked

to fill out an additional form when girls check in for the event.

For more information contact Becky Ayers at (785) 259-6743 or call your local Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland office at (888) 811-8832 or visit www.kansasgirlscouts.org.

State trying to slow beetle infestation

Secretary of Agriculture Josh Svaty made it harder for the walnut twig beetle to hitch a ride into Kansas this week when he signed a quarantine aimed at protecting the state's black walnut trees from the dangerous pest.

"The walnut twig beetle has been infecting black walnut trees in states west of here with thousand cankers disease, a fungus that ultimately kills the tree," said Svaty. "This quarantine will help us protect our black walnut trees while allowing commercial trade involving walnut trees, plants and wood products that are free of the beetle and the disease."

Under the quarantine, persons or businesses that handle or move walnut plants, walnut trees, wood or other material harvested from walnut trees, must register with the Kansas Department of Agriculture.

The quarantine also identifies products of interest that could provide a vehicle for the walnut twig

beetle to arrive in the state. These include plants, logs, lumber, firewood, bark, mulch, burls, stumps and packing material.

Products of interest that originate from states known to have the disease or beetle - California, Colorado, Idaho, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah and Washington - must be accompanied by a certificate that verifies the items were inspected after harvest to ensure they are free of the disease and the beetle. The same inspection and certificate are required for products of interest originating from states that do not conduct an annual survey for the pest and disease. A certificate is not required for products from areas that are surveyed annually and are confirmed free of both the disease and beetle.

"These requirements will allow us to better control the walnut tree products that make it into our state, which is important if we are to stem the spread of this devastating disease," Svaty said.

Exempt from the quarantine are nuts, nut meat, hulls, finished wood products without bark, and processed lumber without bark that has been heat treated to 133 degrees Fahrenheit and originates from states, territories and foreign countries where the disease and the beetle have not been detected.

Anyone who violates the quarantine is subject to criminal prosecution and could be ordered to pay civil penalties and all expenses associated with treating, destroying or removing regulated articles from the state.

The walnut twig beetle is a minute, yellowish-brown bark beetle native to North America that has strayed from its native host, the Arizona walnut, to black walnut, the walnut tree most common in Kansas. When it tunnels its way under the tree's bark, it can introduce a new form of Geosmithia, a fungus that causes cankers that ultimately kill the tree. Currently there are no effective methods for controlling

the pest or preventing the disease.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture plant protection and weed control program has been working with the Kansas Forest Service and K-State Research and Extension to monitor for the disease and to educate arborists, woodworkers, the timber industry and the public about thousand cankers disease of walnut. The trio hosted pest detector workshops in Wichita and Lawrence this spring. More workshops will be scheduled this fall in Emporia, Hays and Garden City.

"There are over 26 million black walnut trees in Kansas that are the heart of our forest products industry," says Larry Biles, State Forester, Kansas Forest Service. Economists estimate a potential loss of over \$160 million if the disease complex is introduced into the state. The environmental benefits of black walnut are also important to the people of Kansas.



Young Nicole Eli takes a break after competing at a National American Miss Pageant.

Six-year-old competes in Wichita pageant

Six-year-old Nicole Eli just returned from competing the the National American Miss Pageant in the pre-teen division on Friday through Sunday at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita.

She won a state finalist award, the Spirit of America Award and a portfolio award. The pageant had competitions in modeling, talent

and formal wear. Eli competed in three optional contests of casual wear modeling, talent and photographic.

Eli is a dance student of Jessica Kannady at the Right Chance Dance Studio. Her parents are Joseph Eli and Andrea Burnside. She has a brother Destin.

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- Painter of wilting watches
- "...nuff!"
- Titled one
- Plowman's team
- Use UPS, say
- Sharply creased fold
- Boat's trail
- Tucked away
- Acted the fink
- In need of rehab, maybe
- "You, there!"
- Handfuls for babysitters
- Microwave button
- Brought on board
- Some roasts
- Highly collectible
- List heading
- Jim Davis dog
- Carried on, as war
- All fired up
- Greek salad cheese
- Fateful time for Caesar
- Pageant wear
- Aired again
- Green Giant's home
- Bottle cap affixer
- Lobster eater's need
- Dogie catcher
- La ___ Tar Pits
- Use a Toro
- Score after deuce
- Sinclair Lewis novel
- Spray finely
- Burnable bog product
- A la ___

- "Annabel Lee" poet
- Pageant wear
- Popular theater name

DOWN

- Hippie's cross
- Rice-A-___
- Bibliographic abbr.
- Keekler worker
- Does a slow burn
- Cloned sheep of 1996
- Pink-slipped
- Shepherd's domain
- Debt-ridden
- Drum major's topper
- Trail mix eater
- Opinion pieces

- Popular aquarium fish
- Yeats or Keats
- Bonanza find
- Runs out of steam
- TA's boss
- Ill-bred
- Give off
- Common gum flavor
- Duvall role in "The Godfather"
- "M*A*S*H" clerk
- Shape of some mirrors
- In ___ straits
- Jazz singer Anita
- Surveillance aids
- Hot sauce
- Clean air org.
- Penthouse plus

- Workbench gripper
- Fireside Chat medium
- Angelou's "Still ___"
- Bouillon
- Victoria's Secret buys
- Bog down
- Grid great
- Graham
- "___ do we eat?"
- Stephen of "V for Vendetta"
- Neuman's mag

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